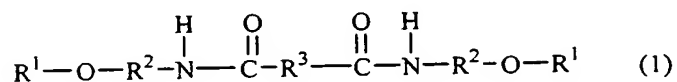


## CLAIMS

1. A dermatologic preparation, which comprises a diamide derivative represented by the following formula (1):



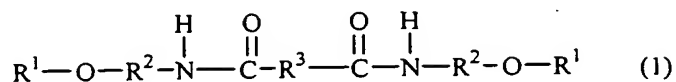
(wherein,  $\text{R}^1$  represents a linear or branched hydrocarbon group having 1 to 22 carbon atoms which may be substituted by one or more hydroxy and/or alkoxy groups,  $\text{R}^2$  represents a linear or branched divalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and  $\text{R}^3$  represents a linear or branched divalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 42 carbon atoms).

2. A dermatologic preparation according to claim 1, which is a cosmetic preparation.

3. A dermatologic preparation as claimed in claim 1 or 2, wherein  $\text{R}^1$  represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 22 carbon atoms which may have 1 to 3 substituents selected from a hydroxy group and  $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkoxy groups,  $\text{R}^2$  represents a linear or branched hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and  $\text{R}^3$  represents an alkylene group or an alkenylene group having 1 to 4 double bonds, which alkylene or alkenylene group may be linear or branched and has 2 to 34 carbon atoms.

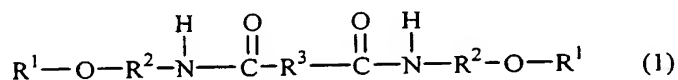
4. A humectant comprising, as an effective

ingredient, a diamide derivative represented by the following formula (1):



5 (wherein, R<sup>1</sup> represents a linear or branched hydrocarbon group having 1 to 22 carbon atoms which may be substituted by one or more hydroxy and/or alkoxy groups, R<sup>2</sup> represents a linear or branched divalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and R<sup>3</sup> represents a linear or branched  
10 divalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 42 carbon atoms).

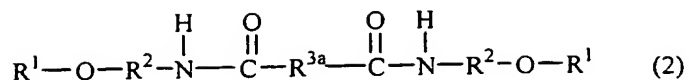
5. A skin barrier function reinforcing agent comprising, as an effective ingredient, a diamide derivative represented by the following formula (1):



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(wherein, R<sup>1</sup> represents a linear or branched hydrocarbon group having 1 to 22 carbon atoms which may be substituted by one or more hydroxy and/or alkoxy groups, R<sup>2</sup> represents  
20 a linear or branched divalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and R<sup>3</sup> represents a linear or branched divalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 42 carbon atoms).

6. A diamide derivative represented by the following formula (2):



(wherein, R<sup>1</sup> represents a linear or branched hydrocarbon group having 1 to 22 carbon atoms which may be substituted by one or more hydroxy and/or alkoxy groups, R<sup>2</sup> represents a linear or branched divalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and R<sup>3a</sup> represents an alkylene group or an alkenylene group having 1 to 4 double bonds, which alkylene or alkenylene group may be linear or branched and has 11 to 42 carbon atoms).

7. A diamide derivative according to claim 6, wherein R<sup>1</sup> represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 1 to 22 carbon atoms which may have 1 to 3 substituents selected from a hydroxy group and C<sub>1-6</sub> alkoxy groups, R<sup>2</sup> represents a linear or branched alkylene group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and R<sup>3a</sup> represents an alkylene group or an alkenylene group having 1 to 4 double bonds, which alkylene or alkenylene group may be linear or branched and has 12 to 34 carbon atoms.